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OFFICIAL**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:
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Serial No.: 09/972,396

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For: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE
SUITABILITY OF A TRANSPARENT
MOLDED POLYMER ARTICLE FOR
COLORING WITHOUT DEFECTS AND
RESULTING ARTICLE**

Group Art Unit: 2873

Examiner: Scott J. Sugarman

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OFFICIAL**APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT****UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.705(b)****VIA FACSIMILE NO. (703) 308-6916**

Sir:

Reconsideration of patent term adjustment is hereby requested under 37 C.F.R. §§1.705(b).

Applicants request an adjustment of patent term of 23 days, from 306 days to 329 days.

On January 29, 2002, Applicants mailed a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts. The return postcard (attached as Exhibit A) was date stamped as received by the U.S. Patent Office on February 20, 2002. This date of February 20, 2002 is twelve days in excess of the allotted three months in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts, mailed November 8, 2001. Attached as Exhibit B is a copy of the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system's calculations of Patent Term Adjustment. Applicants note that the PAIR entries indicating the U.S. Patent